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NATURE OF SUBTERRANEAN RESERVOIRS USING REFRACTED
ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Statement of Reasons for Allowance indicated that a particular combination of elements was the basis for allowance of the claims. It is respectfully pointed out, however, that it may not be necessary for each of the elements be present to overcome the prior art. Instead, certain subcombinations of the elements may adequately establish patentability.

The Issue Fee in the above-referenced matter has been paid today under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,

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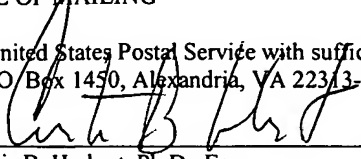
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